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1. On 11 August 1953, about 25 trucks and 15 large sheet metal containers on chassis, which were separately loaded on flatcars, were detrained at the Fuerstenwalde railroad station.

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2. At about 6 p.m. on 7 August, 24 x 132-mm rocket launchers, and 6 boxcars= loads of billeting equipment, which had arrived on trucks

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were loaded at the Eberswalde railroad station and left toward north.¹ At about 10 p.m. on 7 August, a column of about 20 trucks towing about 14 x 120-mm mortars, and 2 field kitchens was seen in Eberswalde, coming from the direction of Pinow and proceeding toward the Artillerie Kaserne. At about 11 p.m., a column of 1 jeep, 5 trucks towing 57-mm AT guns, 1 field kitchen and ration supply truck was seen en route in the same direction. Prior to 2 p.m. on 8 August, 12 trucks, 1 trailer and 1 tank truck trailer, including were loaded at the Eberswalde railroad station.²

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3. At about 11 a.m. on 9 August, a train carrying 6 x 122-mm guns, 25 trucks, 2 field kitchens, 1 ambulance and 4 twin-barreled guns; and including 30 boxcars was seen en route on the Gransee-Fuerstenberg railroad line, just before Fuerstenberg.³

4. Prior to 12 August, the officers and officer dependents previously stationed in the officers' billets on Treskow Allee, between Ehrlich Strasse and Friedrich Wilhelm Strasse, Karlshorst, had left for Weissensee. A local resident expressed the belief that they transferred to the former Askania building at 107/110 Berliner Allee in Berlin-Weissensee. The billets on Treskow Allee were still vacant, however, had been inspected by advance details.⁴

5. Between 6 and 9 August, motor vehicles were seen Babelsberg, proceeding toward Drewitz and Potsdam.⁵

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6. At about 3 p.m. on 6 August, a train of 6 boxcars occupied by about 130 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia; and 15 flatcars carrying 12 AA guns and about 14 trucks, [] was seen at the Bad Kleinen railroad station, proceeding 6 toward Schwerin. The shipment had allegedly been loaded in Kroepein.

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7. On 22 August, about 30 trucks, 5 light AA guns, 30 AA machine guns and 300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets entered the Neu-planken wood camp. []

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On the same day, about 20 trucks, [] 10 light AA guns, 40 AA machine guns and about 400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets left the quartering area. [] On 22 August, one-story temporary buildings were under construction at the Hillersleben-Sued firing range. The quarters were occupied not to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Vehicular traffic between the Neuplanken wood camp and Neuholdensleben was normal. Advanced combat firing practice of tanks was daily seen. Supply traffic involved motor vehicles []

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25X1A 1. [] Comment. The information supplements previous information by source. [] According to reports on transportation elements of the 312th Gds RL Regt went to Fuerstenwalde []

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25X1A [] The reference report, however, mentioned 300-mm rocket launchers seen in Fuerstenwalde.

25X1A 2. [] Comment. The columns are fairly definitely believed to belong to units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. The motor vehicle [] also belong to this army.

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3. [] observed one or the two trains [] which, on 8 August, returned to Naustrelitz from Forst Zinna and/or Luckenwalde with units of the 9th Gds Tank Div.

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25X1A 4. [] Comment. The former Askania building in Berlin-Weissensee was occupied by the headquarters of Major General F.T. Dibrova in early August. []

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25X1A 6. [] Comment. The train probably came from the Wustrow firing range. The []

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25X1 25X1A 7. [] Comment. [] on 22 August, presumably observed a unit which had arrived in Haldensleben from Jueterbog [] and another unit which, on the same day, left Haldensleben for Jueterbog []

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The new motor vehicle [] observed fail to give definite indications for the identity of the entrained units; they may have belonged to the Third Shock Army and/or the Third Gds Mecz Army. However, the fact that the train went to Jueterbog tends to indicate that it carried AAA units of the 7th Gds Tank Div.

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